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TAGS: BPRO, SCUL, WZ

SUBJECT: SWAZI SELF-HELP DVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

1. REPRESENTATIVE ROYAL SWAZILAND POLICE HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT 250 LETTERS HAVE RECENTLY GONE TO INDIVIDUALS IN U.S.A. SIGNED BY JOHN TEMBA, STYLED AS "GENERAL SECRETARY, SWAZI SELF-HELP DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION." LETTERS OFFER "UNIQUE AND VALUABLE PIECES OF SCULPTURE" BY "MOST FAMOUS SCULPTORS ON AFRICAN CONTINENT." ENCLOSED WITH LETTERS ARE COLOR PLATES OF SCULPTURES WITH PRICES QUOTED, RANGING AROUND $850.00 EACH. LETTER IMPLIES THAT FUNDS PAID FOR THESE WORKS OF ART WILL FOSTER SELF-DEVELOPMENT IN SWAZILAND AND "IMPROVED EDUCATION AND STANDARD OF LIVING OF ALL ITS PEOPLE." EMBASSY HAS COPY ONE SUCH LETTER ADDRESSED TO JOHN ABBERLY, FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK. ABBERLEY LISTED "WHO'S WHO."

2. SHOULD DEPARTMENT RECEIVE INQUIRIES CONCERNING THESE LETTERS, QUESTIONERS SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT "SWAZI SELF-HELP DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION" IS NOT RPT NOT CHARTERED OR LICENSED IN SWAZILAND. MAIL SOLICITATION OPERATION IS UNDER INVESTIGATION BY ROYAL SWAZILAND POLICE IN VIEW "PROBABLE" VIOLATIONS OF LAW AND MISREPRESENTATION.
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